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COMMITTEE CALLS MASS CONVENTION

To Choose Delegates and Nominate for Legislature

Vacancies on County Committee Filled and Routine Matters Are Attended To.

DELEGATES TO CONVENTION.

Official call for a mass convention of the county at the court house Saturday afternoon, June 15, at 1:30 o'clock to select delegates from McCracken county to the state Republican convention and to nominate a candidate for the legislature, was made by the Republican county committee, which met in The Sun office last night. This county is entitled to 24 delegates to the Republican state convention. In the absence of Chairman Frank Boyd, who was detained last night, Capt. J. E. William son, Sr., was unanimously chosen to preside. Some 25 committeemen were present, and the local situation was discussed informally, but there was no business before the county convention, other than calling the mass convention.

Two vacancies on the county executive committee were filled last night. L. C. Eley was elected for the Massac precinct to succeed Dr. L. G. Graham, who moved out. Mr. James Hart was chosen for the Florence Station precinct to succeed Dr. Adams, who moved away.

The State Convention.

There will be 2,555 delegates in the state convention of which number Jefferson county (including Louisville) furnishes the largest number, 217. McCracken county leads the First district in the number of delegates and the 140 votes from the First congressional district may cut considerable figure in the convention. The votes in this district are apportioned as follows: Ballard, 6; Caldwell, 14; Calloway, 8; Carlisle, 5; Crittenden, 17; Fulton, 6; Graves, 16; Hickman, 7; McCracken, 24; Livingston, 8; Lyon, 7; Marshall, 9; Trigg, 13.

The Jefferson county delegation will go to Hon. Augustus E. Willson, starting him off with the largest single delegation toward the necessary number of votes, 1,028. It is believed that when the situation is canvassed preceding the convention, Mr. Willson will be seen to have such an overwhelming majority that all receptive candidates will release their delegations.

McCracken county will have Captain Ed Farley as a candidate for state treasurer, and it is certain he will take all of western Kentucky with him.

HOUSES TOTTER OVER WHEAT PIT

Chicago, May 14.—Wheat opened this morning wild, and unsettled with frequent predictions that some large firms would announce assignments. One broker caught short by yesterday's call on margins at 10 per cent was forced to buy a half million bushels on market. The greatest excitement prevails. Reports abound of big houses tottering.

CARBONDALE COAL AND COKE COMPANY ELECTS

Directors of the Carbondale Coal and Coke company, of Hopkins county, held the annual election of officers in the parlors of the Palmer House this afternoon, at 1 o'clock. Before the election of officers, the directors for the next year were elected. They are: Samuel McElPatrick, Princeton; Benjamin F. Elmbarger, New York; William Marble F. W. Katterjohn, Brack Owen and J. A. Bauer of Paducah. Officers were elected as follows: F. W. Katterjohn, president; Brack Owen, general manager and treasurer; Samuel McElPatrick, secretary.

Iowa Newspaper Man Dead.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 14.—M. S. Fairall, for many years a well known newspaper man of Iowa and Wisconsin and secretary of the Northern Wisconsin Farmers' Association, died today at the Davidson hotel after a week's illness. The body will be removed to Iowa City, Iowa, the former home of the deceased.

WEATHER FORECAST.



COLDER.

Thunder showers this afternoon and tonight with colder west portion. Wednesday clearing and colder. Highest temperature yesterday, 81; lowest today, 65.

GRAIN MARKET.

Cincinnati, May 14.—Wheat, 94; corn, 56½; oats, 46.

MABEL'S COST.

New York, May 14.—It cost W. E. Corey over four million dollars to marry Mabel Gillman. This includes settlement with his first wife for three millions and with his mother for \$300,000. The wedding supper cost \$5,000. The clergyman's fee was a thousand, and it is estimated the honeymoon trip abroad will cost \$200,000.

LIGHT SNOW.

Lincoln, Neb., May 14.—Snow fell today over a great portion of eastern Nebraska with indications of continuing during the day. This will benefit the wheat crop.

SYMPATHY STRIKE.

New York, May 14.—Six hundred grain elevator employees quit work today in sympathetic strike to support the longshoremen. Defection of these men has utterly crippled the grain shipping business.

SCHOOLMASTER.

Cleveland, May 14.—Schoolmaster Laub, of Strasburg, O., indicted for sending naughty letters to girl pupils, was found guilty in the federal court today. Application was made for a new trial.

GOOD DOPE.

Los Angeles, May 14.—Philadelphia Jack O'Brien has quit the ring for good. He is all broken up over the scandal in connection with the recent battle with Tommy Burns. He realizes that no fight promoter will want his services now. He told a friend he never will fight again.

ROBBED.

Denver, May 14.—When Mr. Charles Rathry and his wife returned from the theater last night they were bound and gagged by burglars in waiting, and robbed of \$800 and diamonds.

SUBMARINE TESTS.

Newport, R. I., May 14.—Test of sub-marines continued today with further maneuvers by the Octopus, which yesterday gave such convincing proof of the endurance of its storage batteries for submerged cruising.

RICE CROP.

Washington, D. C., May 14.—Considerable anxiety is felt by the department of agriculture over the rice crop in the southern states. In some instances re-seeding will be necessary.

KING'S LIFE.

Rome, May 14.—Official investigation was begun today into the bomb explosion at Ponte Lascuro yesterday, which it is believed was due to a plot against the life of King Victor Emmanuel. The train on which the king was a passenger was due in the city just four minutes after the explosion occurred. A man is under arrest charged with having the bomb in his possession.

HAVANA STRIKE.

Havana, May 14.—Steamship lines here are threatened with a strike similar to that, which has caused a tie up of shipping in New York harbor. All longshoremen employed on the docks have threatened to quit work, alleging the companies have failed to comply with the rate agreement.

DOCTORS MEET IN COUNCIL CHAMBER

Mayor Yeiser Welcomes Them in Warm Words

Dr. S. D. Reynolds, of Louisville, Responds for Southwestern Kentucky Association.

THE BUSINESS SESSION OPENS.

Physicians were late in arriving at the city hall, where the sessions of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Association are being held, and it was half past ten when President E. B. Shelton called the association to order in the council chamber.

After the invocation had been delivered by the Rev. W. T. Bolling, Mayor D. A. Yeiser was called to the floor and in a few words, welcomed the delegates to Paducah.

"It has been my pleasure before to welcome this organization to Paducah," said Mayor Yeiser, "and I feel that your work here and your interchange of ideas is beneficial, not alone to you physicians but to the public generally."

In his response to the welcome Dr. S. D. Reynolds, of Louisville, said: "This is a more representative body than is usually found at a district meeting. It must mean that the intellectual development of southwestern Kentucky is keeping pace with her commercial and industrial advances. Our work here is not only a reflection of sectional development, but of the state and in no small measure of the world; for I believe

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VESSEL SAILING OUT OF THIS PORT

Schooner Rigged Sloop Being Constructed Here to Enter Fruit Carrying Trade With the West Indies

DESCRIPTION OF THE BOAT.

While St. Louis and other Mississippi river cities are agitating a through steamboat line to the Gulf, Paducah actually will have a sail ship line without change direct to Havana, Cuba and other south sea points. The keel was laid for a sail ship at the dry docks this morning, which when completed, will run from Paducah to West Indian Island points in the fruit trade. This ship which will have a capacity of 45 tons, is being built for Charles Brigmeyer, a practical sailor who has been living in Paducah for a year.

Brigmeyer, before he came to the inland rivers, worked all his life as a sailor on Atlantic liners and coastwise sailing vessels. That he has a thorough knowledge of the sail ship is proven by a hand-made model of his shown for the last two weeks in Waljerstein's windows. It is a full-rigged sail ship. His purpose is to run this sail-schooner from Paducah to the West Indies after shells to be sold in curio stores, and fruit. It will require four men to run the boat and Brigmeyer has the agreement of three sailors now on ocean liners, to come to Paducah to join him when their contracts expire.

The boat will be 45 feet long. It will be 5 1-2 feet deep at the head, 5 feet at the middle and 5 1-2 feet deep at the stern. A cabin 2 1-2 feet higher than the boat will be built. The main mast will be 32 feet high and 1,025 yards of canvas will be used in the sails. It will be sloop built and schooner rigged.

The boat will be completed within 60 days and he expects to leave on the first trip August 1. She will go direct from Paducah to Kingston, Jamaica on the first trip, after a cargo of fancy shells. Four months will be required to make the round trip. The boat of course can do little passenger carrying with the crew of four to accommodate, but an amount of freight equivalent to a large freight car can be carried. He has not made any contract yet with Paducah commission merchants to bring fruit but expects to make that part of his business. Importing rare sea shells will be the main object of the venture.

QUEEN OF THE MAY.



—Berryman in Washington Star.

Congressman John Dalzell on River From Pittsburg on Way Down to New Orleans

Studying Conditions of Inland Waterways for Future Reference But Declines to be Seen by Reporters

FAIRBANKS MAY COME

Congressman John Dalzell, of Pittsburg, a conspicuous Republican member of the lower house, arrived in the city this morning at 7:30 o'clock on the steamer Clara Ramos. With Congressman Dalzell are Mrs. Dalzell and a pleasure party of eleven persons from Pittsburg and New York. The Clara Ramos was built in Pittsburg for the Valenzuela line of steamers, running between the ports of Frontera and Laguna and the city of San Juan Bautista, Tabasco, Mexico. The steamer is on its way to Mexico and the pleasure party was arranged by the builders, James Reese & Sons company, Pittsburg. They will leave the steamer at New Orleans.

In the party with Congressman Dalzell and Mrs. Dalzell are Captain Thomas Reese, in command; Miss Marsh Reese and Mrs. Reese; Mrs. J. D. Ayres, Mrs. David Reese, Mrs. James I. Reese, Mrs. G. A. Supplee, Mrs. G. S. Jenks, Miss Ella Caskey, W. H. Duff, and Mr. and Mrs. Darkin, of New York. Mr. Darkin represents Thebaud Bros., large importers and exporters. The Clara Ramos remained here until noon, when the trip to New Orleans was resumed.

Is Taking Notes.

Congressman Dalzell would not be interviewed this morning, but in view of the great leap in national interest the inland waterways have taken in the last year, and the conspicuous place the subject will occupy in the next congress, it is understood that he is observant of conditions on this trip down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. Ostensibly the trip is being taken for his health.

As a steamboat the Clara Ramos was interesting to the river men at the wharf this morning. There is only one smokestack, the hull is steel, and the draft is light. Being built for the hot Mexican climate the steamer presents several oddities. There was not a glass window on the boat, screens being the only covering of the windows. The party has found this airiness extremely uncomfortable lately, as the weather has been cold. The cabin is built of cedar sent up to Pittsburg from Mexico by the owners. Part of the trade to be run in by the Clara Ramos calls for a gulf voyage and the steamer was built with an eye to

that need. The boat is owned by Tabor Bros., New York.

Capt. Thomas Reese of the builders, is in command; Jim Pell, pilot; John McDonough, head mate; Thos. Duffy, chief engineer, and Albert Garred, second engineer. The electrical apparatus broke down last night as the cabin passengers were going to bed, and the lights did not come on until this morning. Several of the gentlemen went to bed half shaved and all had to grope in the dark during the rest of their undressing.

Fairbanks Coming.

Vice-President Charles W. Fairbanks probably will visit Paducah in June. With a distinguished party he will leave Chattanooga June 5 on the steamer Chattanooga for a trip down the Tennessee river. It is thought that the vice-president will come all the way to the mouth of

the Tennessee river as the Chattanooga business men who are engineering the trip desire that the possibilities of river traffic be fully shown. John A. Patton, of the Chattanooga Packet company, has arranged the trip for Vice-President Fairbanks, and the steamer Chattanooga is being repaired and painted here particularly for use in carrying the party down the river. The shallow places in the Tennessee river will receive especial attention on this trip. On all the rivers, now and through out the summer, the interest being taken by members of congress and other government officials will be great, judging from present indications. President Roosevelt is being pressed to take the trip down the Mississippi river, and it is probable that much attention will be given to the project of all-the-year-round stages, in the next congress.

ARMY WORMS ARE RUINING FARMS

March in "Battalion Front" Across Fields Leaving Them Sear as if Prairie Fire Had Swept Them

FISH GORGING THEMSELVES.

Sherman's march to the sea in the Civil war hardly cleaned the country more than the dread army worms which are sweeping over parts of McCracken county. Colonel Bud Dale, of the New Richmond House went to the country fishing yesterday on the farm of J. K. Lemon near Lamont and found the worms literally by the millions and wherever they had been, not a sprig of anything green was left. These worms move in a regular line, hence their name of "army" worms. They were swarming up the sides of the creek into the pasture and thousands fell back into the water. The fish in the creek gorged themselves on the worms and every one caught had even its mouth filled. Most of Mr. Lemon's pasture is as green and fine as could be pictured, but the part that had been covered by the army worms was as if a fire had swept over it. The only way to stop the destruction of the worms is to dig a trench in front of their line of march and when they fall into it, run over it with a harrow burying them. Every effort is being made to stop this pest, which is giving the farmers cause for worry about next year's crops.

FOUR LICENSES ISSUED TO PREACH

Mt. Carmel District Meeting of Southern Illinois Conference, Methodist Church, Begins Its Sessions

MISSIONARY MEETING TODAY.

Metropolis, May 14.—(Special) —Opening with a sermon on "Christian Courtesy," by the Rev. Mr. Phillips, of Eldorado, the Mt. Carmel district meeting of the Southern Illinois conference of the Methodist church, got down to business this morning, and the delegates will be kept busy the rest of the week. This morning a class of ten undergraduates were examined and four were licensed to preach.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock a missionary meeting under the auspices of the Women's Foreign Missionary society is being held. Tonight at 7:30 o'clock the Rev. O. H. Clark will preach. Following that a sacramental service will be observed.

LITTLE PAIR OF BABY SOCKS MAKES HIT ON THE STAGE.

"A Little Pair of Baby Socks" is the title of a song written by Mr. Hal Walters, of Paducah, and critics say it is sure to make a hit. The music is by Mr. Raymond Ray, a composer of several hits, and the song is sung with success by Miss Aileen Powers in "The Land of Nod."

MONEY SUPPLIES? NO, SAYS REFEREE

Just "Filthy Lucre" and No Lien at all Attached

Referee Bagby Makes Long Awaited Decision in Rehkopf Saddlery Company Case.

DECISIONS TO BE REVIEWED

Ruling that money in this particular case did not constitute "supplies", which would have given the American-German National bank a lien for \$19,000 advanced to E. Rehkopf, as president of the E. Rehkopf Saddlery company Referee in Bankruptcy E. W. Bagby this morning acted on a matter which had been hanging fire for some time.

The bank set up the plea that money advanced was really "supplies." In several admiralty cases, in which the referee had taken an important part, money had been construed as "supplies", and liens enforced by reasons of the decision; but Referee Bagby, after a lengthy deliberation, during which he reviewed much authority and heard much argument, decided in bankrupt matters, not marine, the rule could not apply.

As to the objections filed by the trustee to \$25,000 worth of liens in the saddlery company case Referee Bagby issued an order overruling them. The referee held that the creditors did not have to file the liens in county court 60 days before the act of bankruptcy. Both decisions will be appealed, it is said.

In Other Cases.

Referee Bagby received the affirmation of his decision in the \$2,000 mortgage matter in E. Rehkopf bankruptcy case. Attorneys Campbell & Campbell and Crice & Ross held a mortgage on property sold, and Referee Bagby decided that the attorneys could not touch the proceeds of the sale, but would have to look to purchasers of the mortgaged property.

In the case of the Benton Mercantile company an order referring it to the referee, from Judge Evans, at Louisville, was received this morning. Referee Bagby will at once call for the filing of a schedule of debts and assets.

REHEARSALS ARE NOW ON FOR HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

Rehearsals are being held both afternoons and evenings by the cast in the play to be given by the members of the junior class of the High school Friday evening of this week. New wings for the stage are being made, and it will present a better appearance.

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM PLAYS METROPOLIS

Saturday the High school baseball team will go to Metropolis to play another game with the High school team there. The teams have played two games this season and the local boys have walked away with both. For the local High school the battery will be Fisher and Gallagher.

TO GET NEW FRONT TO CUSTOM HOUSE

Congressman Oille James is in the city, and brings good news. "I have hopes of getting through the appropriation for the remodeling of the custom house," he said. "This includes making the Broadway side the front of the building and putting in hardwood screens for the boxes."

Congressman James was busy seeing local politicians during his stay. Mr. James is on his way to Memphis to join the waterways commission on its Mississippi trip.

Stock Policeman Kept Busy.

Last night brought strenuous experiences to Stock Policeman Lyrurgus Rice. He was called out at 11 o'clock to Twentieth and Jefferson streets and lassoed a cow, but did not know he was successful. The rope suddenly pulled out of his hands and the cow escaped. At 4 o'clock this morning he was called out the second time to Nineteenth and Clay streets and arrested four cows, which were roaming at large.